



BRIGALOW ARTS FESTIVAL 2025

KEY DATES

Entry Forms and Photos Due	Mon 1 Sep 2025, 8:00am
Artwork Delivery Due	Fri 26 Sep 2025, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm
Exhibition Dates Friday	10 Oct – Fri 12 Dec 2025
Official Opening and Presentations	Fri 10 Oct 2025, 6:00 pm
Creative Workshop, Networking Lunch & Development Session	Sat 11 Oct 2025
Artwork Collection	Wed 17 Dec 2025, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1) Entry Fees and Entry Forms


- Entries must be submitted via the Brigalow Arts Festival Entry Form before Monday 1st September 2025, 8:00am.
- Entry fees are \$15.00 per artwork for entries in main categories (1 to 4). Entries in youth categories (5 to 7) are free.
- Entries into youth categories (5 to 7) are limited to artists between grade 7-12 or equivalent age, being under 18 years old as of Friday 10 October 2025.
- Entries will be finalised upon payment of entry fees to the Banana Shire Council customer service. Fees can be paid:
 - in person via cash or card at any Banana Shire Council customer service location OR by credit card over the phone with the Banana Shire Council customer service team on (07) 4992 9500.
- A high-quality JPEG or PNG image of each artwork must be submitted by email to brigalow@banana.qld.gov.au by Monday 1st September 2025, 8:00am for use in the catalogue.
- No late entries will be accepted after the closing date.

2) Artworks

- Artists may enter a maximum of 3 separate artworks.
- All artworks must be the original work of the artist. This excludes non-unique artworks such as copies produced in guided workshops.
- Collaborative works must be submitted under one artist's name.
- Artworks must be completed after June 30, 2023.
- Artworks must not have been submitted in previous Brigalow Arts Festivals.
- A 20% commission will be levied on all sales. Artwork prices should allow for this commission.

3) Display Requirements

- Artworks must not exceed 14 kg.
- Artworks must not exceed 122 cm in any direction (including frames).
- Artworks may consist of multiple parts (e.g. diptychs and triptychs) but cannot exceed the overall size and weight requirements. Any artworks exceeding these requirements may be rejected and/or excluded from judging.
- All artworks must be labelled on the back with the *Artist Name*, *Artwork Title*, *Category*.
- All 2D artworks must be ready to display with 2 x D-ring attachments fitted to the back of the frame or canvas at either 5 cm or 10 cm from the top edge. Works on paper must be appropriately framed for hanging. Artworks delivered without suitable hanging attachments may not be displayed.

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- f) All 3D artworks will be displayed on a flat surface. Suitable stands and supports must be supplied by the artist where necessary.
 - g) Electrical components must be tested and tagged.
 - h) Youth photography (category 5) must be printed at a minimum of 8" x 10" with a 1" boarder of black card, or suitably framed and ready to hang.
 - i) If display space is limited, the gallery reserves the right to hang a selection of works only. In this event, entry fees will be refunded to the artist.
 - j) Please contact the Banana Shire Regional Art Gallery to discuss any technical requirements or for assistance with preparing artworks.

4) Artwork Delivery

- a) Artworks must be delivered to the Banana Shire Regional Art Gallery between 8:30 am – 4:30 pm on Friday 26th September 2025, or via alternative arrangement as described by the artist on the entry form.
- b) All artworks must arrive with robust packaging labelled with the artwork title and artist name.
- c) No late deliveries will be accepted.

Postal and Courier Deliveries

- d) To use the free courier service provided to selected towns, artists must nominate this option on the entry form.
- e) Artworks being sent by Australia Post must be addressed to The Banana Shire Regional Art Gallery, 62 Valentine Plains Rd, Biloela. QLD 4715.

5) Artwork Collection

- a) Artworks must be collected on Wednesday 17th December 2025 from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm, or via alternative arrangement as described by the artist on the entry form.
- b) All artworks will be prepared for collection in the packaging provided by the artist.
- c) The Banana Shire Regional Art Gallery must be informed of any changes to artwork collection arrangements by email to brigalow@banana.qld.gov.au
- d) The Banana Shire Regional Art Gallery takes no responsibility for unclaimed artworks.

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- e) If artworks are being collected using a courier that is not part of the free courier service offered, a copy of the courier consignment note must be provided to the Banana Shire Regional Art Gallery prior to Wednesday 17th December 2025.
- f) All freight, insurance and transport costs are to be met by the artist. If arrangements are not made by the artist to provide return freight, the Banana Shire Council will collect repayment in the same manner as entry fees.
- g) Do not enclose cheques, money or vouchers within artwork packaging.
- h) The Banana Shire Regional Art Gallery is responsible for distributing sold artworks after the exhibition is completed.

6) Copyright

- a) Artists consent to their artworks being reproduced by photograph without fee, for the purpose of promotion of the exhibition and future Brigalow Arts Festivals.
- b) Close-up images of artworks used for these purposes will be credited as follows: artist name, artwork title, year.
- c) Artists allow their artworks to be photographed by the general public.

7) Other

- a) The Banana Shire Regional Art Gallery will take care to display all artworks in a favourable manner within the limitations of the space. Artwork placement by the curator is final.

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- b) The judge's decision will be final and binding. No correspondence or discussion regarding any decision will be entered into.
 - c) The Banana Shire Regional Art Gallery and judge have the final decision on the suitability of exhibiting any artworks entered and reserve the right to reject any entry without explanation.
 - d) The Banana Shire Regional Art Gallery exercise all due care in exhibiting and handling the artworks submitted, however artworks shall at all times be at the risk of the artist. The Gallery accepts no liability for any loss or damage, either in transit or while entries are in the custody of the Banana Shire Regional Art Gallery.
 - e) The Banana Shire Regional Art Gallery reserve the right to modify these conditions of entry as they see fit and may withdraw a prize or category if an acceptable standard is not met, or if the numbers of entries are inadequate for fair competition.

AWARDS

- a) All awards, excluding acquisition awards, are selected by the judges.
 - b) Award recipients will be informed on Thursday 9th October 2025 that they are receiving an award. No specific details will be provided prior to the Official Opening and Award Evening.
 - c) Award recipients who cannot attend the Official Opening and Award Evening are requested to nominate a proxy to receive awards on their behalf.
- 1) Brigalow Art Award**
 - a) The Brigalow Art Award is selected from all artworks in the main categories (1 to 4).
 - 2) Local Artist Award**
 - a) The Local Artist Award is selected from all artworks in the main categories (1 to 4) created by artists residing within the Banana Shire.
 - b) Local artists are eligible to win the Local Artist Award a maximum of two times in a five-year period from their first win.
 - 3) Emerging Artist Award**
 - a) The Emerging Artist Award is selected from all artworks in the main categories (1 to 4) created by artists who identify as 'emerging' in their artistic practice.
 - b) The Brigalow Arts Festival defines an emerging artist as an artist who has not been a previous Brigalow Arts Festival category winner in categories 1 to 4, has not won a major art prize and has not held a solo exhibition.
 - c) Artists must select yes to the question 'Do you identify as an emerging artist' on the application form to be considered for this award.
 - 4) Theme Award**
 - a) The Theme Award is selected from all categories and is presented to the artwork that best addresses the theme 'Transformation'.
 - b) To be considered, the artist must select yes to the 'Theme Award' on the application form.
 - 5) Youth Brigalow Art Award**
 - a) The Youth Brigalow Art Award is selected from all artworks in the youth categories (5 to 7).
 - 6) Youth Encouragement Award:**
 - a) The Youth Encouragement Award is selected from all artworks in the youth categories (5 to 7) and is presented to a youth artist whose practice shows great potential and effort.
 - 7) Acquisitions Awards**
 - a) The Brigalow Arts Festival has 3 acquisition awards, each to the value of \$2,000. The recipient of an acquisition award will receive the monetary prize in exchange for the selected artwork being added to the collection of the sponsor.
 - b) Acquisition selections are the choice of the sponsor and not reliant on the judge's choices.
 - c) Artists must select the acquisition boxes on their application form for an artwork to be considered.
 - d) An artwork must be for sale to be considered.